

December 18, 2015

Ocotillo District Weekly Update

Valley Metro to Hold Public Meetings on the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Transit Corridor Study

Valley Metro will hold two public meetings on the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Transit Corridor Study. The purpose of the study is to identify what type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit) and what route is best to connect downtown Glendale to the light rail system on 19th Ave. in Phoenix. At each meeting, Valley Metro staff will present an overview of the recommended route and transit type, and provide an opportunity for questions and comments. The same information will be presented at both meetings.

Tuesday, January 19, 2016

6 - 8 p.m. (presentation at 6:30 p.m.) Washington Activity Center Multipurpose Room 2240 W. Citrus Way, Phoenix 85019

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

6 - 8 p.m. (presentation at 6:30 p.m.) Glendale Woman's Club 7032 N. 56th Ave., Glendale 85301

For more information, please contact Megan Casey, Community Outreach Coordinator, at 602.495.8274 or mcasey@valleymetro.org, or visit valleymetro.org/glendale.



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Glendale Mayor Announces Coordinated Public Safety Effort For 2016 College Football National Championship

Glendale Mayor Jerry P. Weiers today announced that fans attending the 2016 College Football National Championship can expect a high level of cooperation and coordination to ensure public safety during a series of valley events, culminating with the game itself to be held at the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale on **January 11**, **2016**.

Mayor Weiers was joined at today's news conference by representatives of local, state, and federal agencies, to present an overview of their combined efforts. For many weeks, the various agencies have joined together in Resource Working Groups (RWG), meeting with experts in fields that include cyber-crime, critical infrastructure protection, public health, intelligence gathering, interoperability and transportation. Their singular focus: to provide the public with a safe, welcoming, and enjoyable experience at the College Football Playoff's ultimate event and surrounding activities.

"The city of Glendale has established itself as a premier sports destination for tourists from around the world, and we welcome these Division I teams, players and fans to our community with open arms and invite them to take in Westgate Entertainment District, Historic Downtown Glendale and all that the valley has to offer," Mayor Weiers stated. "Our number one priority is the safety of everyone coming to enjoy this national championship game, and we have an incredible team dedicated to those public safety measures -a team that has demonstrated time and time again what it takes to successfully host an event of this caliber. Our partners in Phoenix and across the Valley are united in this effort to provide a fan experience unlike any other."

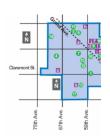
The national championship game caps the College Football Playoff (CFP) and is the culmination of the 2015-16 bowl season. A committee of 13 athletic directors and other leaders select teams from the five major NCAA conferences to play in bracketed semi-finals. The top two finishers then compete for the national championship. Although Glendale has played host to two Super Bowls and two BCS (Bowl Championship Series) championships, this is the city's first CFP. The City of Phoenix will host a variety of signature fan events in the days leading up to the game including College Football Playoff Fan Central held at the Phoenix Convention Center Jan. 8 - 10, 2016.

For more information about the CFP, please visit www.collegefootballplayoff.com and www.visitglendale.com/gotgame. To learn more about the City of Phoenix, please visit www.phoenix.gov.

For more information about the City of Glendale, please visit www.glendaleaz.com.

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- Acoma Park: 53rd Ave. & Acoma Rd.
- Fire Station No. 156: 67th Ave. & Deer Valley Rd.
- Glendale Heroes Park: 83rd Ave. & Bethany Home Rd.
- Foothills Park: 57th Ave. & Union Hills Dr.
- Sahuaro Ranch Park: Southeast corner of 63rd Ave. & Mountain View Rd.
- · O'Neil Park: 64th & Missouri avenues
- Rose Lane Park: 51st & Marlette avenues

Trees must be unbagged, and all decorations, tree stands and metal stakes must be removed. Trees collected at the recycling stations will be used for composting and mulch.

Another option for residents in single-family homes is putting the tree out on their monthly bulk trash collection. For a 2016 bulk trash schedule, click here

In addition, did you know that household waste increases by 25% during the holidays? Be sure you know what you can and cannot recycle this holiday season.

Here are some important reminders:

- · Acceptable items for recycling:
- Empty Red/Yellow/Green/Clear plastic cups (#5) are all recyclable.
- Clean plastic deli and bakery containers (clamshell) are recyclable.
- All recycling items need to be clean, dry and empty (please empty bottles of soda and half used food containers before recycling).
- Recycling items should be placed loose in your recycling container.
 Do not bag these items.
- Large boxes or electronics that you would like to recycle that are too big for your bin can be taken to Glendale's public drop off at the landfill (11480 W. Glendale Ave., 623-930-4720).

Non-acceptable items: (please place these items in your trash container)

- Styrofoam, plastic bags, ceramics, plastic silverware and light strings/ light bulbs are NOT recyclable
- Food of any kind.

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- Holiday trees artificial or real are not accepted.
- Shiny foil or very dark wrapping paper.
- Remember to only place your recycling container out when at least half full.
- All trash must be bagged and tied before placing in your refuse container

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For more inform please go to azsbh2.org/info Your guests have the best of intentions, but before they help you clean up, please make sure the items are deposited in the correct container.

For additional information on treecycling or holiday recycling, contact the Solid Waste Division at 623-930-2660 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/sanitation.

Upcoming City of Glendale Holiday Notices

City of Glendale offices will have the following modified hours for the upcoming holidays: open from 8 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Dec. 24 and closed Friday, Dec. 25 for the Christmas holiday, as well as Friday, Jan. 1 in observance of the New Year's holiday.

Scheduled garbage and recycling for all households will be shifted one day due to the holidays. Pickups normally scheduled for Christmas Day (**Friday, Dec. 25**) will be serviced on Saturday the 26th. Pickups scheduled for New Years' Day, (**Friday, Jan. 1**) will be collected Saturday, Jan. 2. The Glendale Municipal Landfill will close early on Christmas Eve (**Dec. 24**) at noon, and will be closed on **Dec. 25** and **Jan. 1**. For more information about the city's sanitation services, call 623-930-2660.

Valley Metro will be running a holiday schedule (Sunday service hours) on Thursday, Dec. 24, Friday, Dec. 25 and Friday, Jan. 1. 'Gus 1' will be running a Sunday schedule (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) on both Thursday and Friday (Dec. 24-25). 'Gus 3' will be running until noon on Dec. 24 but will not run on Dec. 25 ('Gus 2' will not run Dec. 24 or 25). 'Gus 1' will run only a Sunday schedule (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) on New Year's Day. For Dial-a-Ride service on Dec. 24 or 25, reservations should be made by noon on Thursday the 24th, as the ride line will close at noon. ADA service will be available both days. For Dial-a-Ride service on Jan. 1, reservations should be made by noon on Thursday, Dec. 31. Reservations can be made by calling Glendale's Transit Division at 623-930-3500.

While the Glendale Municipal Airport will remain open during these holidays, the airport's administrative office will offer limited service until 7 p.m. on **Dec. 24** and will be closed **Dec. 25 and Jan. 1**. The Glendale Visitor Center will close at **noon on Dec. 24 and be closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1**.

Glendale's Foothills Recreations and Aquatics Center will be open on Christmas Eve from 7 a.m. to noon, closed on Dec. 25 and open on Dec. 26, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The center will also be open on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, from 5:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Jan. 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information on the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, call 623-930-4600.

For more information on Glendale's programs and services, visit our website or call 623-930-2000.

Glendale's From The Heart Application Season Nears

Glendale's From the Heart program puts donations made by residents and businesses to work every day to make life better for countless Glendale residents. Whether serving meals to the elderly, giving emergency help to homeless families or supporting abused children, From the Heart gives agencies providing services to our neighbors a helping hand.

Non-profit and community agencies wanting to apply for funds through the From the Heart program can attend a free application workshop on Monday **December 21, 2015 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.** at the Glendale City Hall at 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, in room B3.

The workshop will walk participants through the application process and discuss deadlines while giving an overview of the From the Heart program.

Since starting in 1997, From The Heart -- largely funded by residents and businesses who add \$2 to their city utility bills each month -- has collected and distributed more than \$2.25 million to non-profit agencies in Glendale.

In the past, local agencies receiving From the Heart funds through a grant-application process have provided myriad of services to residents. Some of the grant-funded programs have focused on the positive development of youth, while others helped deliver nutritious, home-delivered meals to the frail and elderly and provide emergency programs for victims of domestic violence and abuse.

For more information or to reserve space in the application workshop please email Kristen Krey at kkrey@glendaleaz.com. For more information on From the Heart visit http://www.glendaleaz.com/fromtheheart/.

Glendale Today with Councilmember Jamie Aldama: Envision 2040

Glendale Councilmember Jamie Aldama of the Ocotillo District gives viewers a closer look at the city's General Plan known as "Envision 2040" in his new edition of the TV show "Glendale Today". Councilmember Aldama talks to Planning Director Jon Froke about the plan and how it is the blueprint for the future of Glendale's business and residential development. Councilmember Aldama also highlights new development and construction projects under the Glendale Centerline Initiative specific to the Ocotillo District, including the Brelby Theater, the Desert Rose Steakhouse, Total Smiles Dental, Glendale Pediatrics and the Family Dollar store.

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Want to Report a Code Violation?

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Please use this link to report a code violation. The Code Compliance Department will then follow-up. Please be sure to provide all information that is requested.

http://www.glendaleaz.com/codecompliance/multiple-complaint-form.cfm

Councilmember Aldama wants to hear from you regarding Light Rail / Bus Rapid Transit. Please contact him by emailing jaldama@glendaleaz.com or schedule a meeting by calling 623-930-2249.

TransitValley Metro West Phoenix/Central Glendale High Capacity Transit Study Information

What is the timeline for the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Project? As you may know, Valley Metro has a study underway to identify transit options to connect downtown Glendale to the light rail system. The project is scheduled for operations in 2026, but critical decisions are being made in the current study to determine a route and type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit). That study will conclude in early 2016 with a vote by the Glendale and Phoenix City Councils. We want to hear from you! To learn more about the project and how you can provide input, visit valleymetro.org/Glendale.

To find out information about street construction / traffic restrictions, or the pavement management program please click on the link below http://www.glendaleaz.com/improvements/

Bulk Trash Collection

Please click on the link below to view the bulk trash pick-up schedule. As a reminder, residents are asked to place bulk trash out no earlier than 6 a.m. on the Thursday before your scheduled service week and no later than 6 a.m. on the Monday of your scheduled service week. It is a violation of city ordinance to put bulk trash out before or after the assigned period. Failure to comply may result in enforcement action, including charges to the resident.

http://www.glendaleaz.com/sanitation/documents/2015BulkTrashEnglish.pdf

Coming Up

Glendale Glitters Line-Up

Friday and Saturday, Dec. 18 and 19, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Highlights include all the fun family holiday activities that Glendale Glitters always brings, plus special celebration of and donation drives for worthy local charities. A new element this year will be Glendale Firefighter Charities on-site doing a 50/50 raffle and selling T-Shirts with proceeds going to their toy & clothing drive. And speaking of toys, attendees will enjoy the Disney family favorite, Toy Story, showing nightly at both **6:30 and 8:30 p.m.,** plus free Toy Story make-and-take crafts, face-painting, Santa Claus and musical entertainment.

The glittering magic of Glendale's holiday display remains lit nightly through **Jan. 9, from 5-10 p.m**. each evening. Historic Downtown Glendale is located at 58th and Glendale avenues. For more information, call the

Phoenix Artists Guild Exhibit And Sale At Westgate

Deck the halls with local art! Don't miss this opportunity to browse and buy a one-of-a-kind gift during the Phoenix Artists Guild Fine Art Exhibition and Sale at Gallery Glendale at Westgate, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd., Suite D-102. Special gallery hours will be 3 to 9 p.m., through Sunday, Dec. 27, with the exception of closures on Mondays. The gallery will also be closed for the holidays on Nov. 26 and Dec. 24-25. Enjoy affordable, original artwork in various media by local professional artists. More than 80 works of art will be on exhibit and available for sale. No purchase is required, but you might find it hard to leave without taking home a bargain. To meet the minds behind the art, drop by the festive artist receptions on Nov. 13 and Dec. 11, from 6-9 p.m., to enjoy light refreshments and the opportunity to chat with talented artists.

Phoenix Artists Guild (PAG) is an organization established more than three decades ago to encourage the appreciation of fine arts; to promote ethical principles and practices of original art; to promote educational programs in fine arts; and to promote camaraderie, cooperation and encouragement among artists at all skill levels. To learn more about PAG, visit www.phoenixartistsguild.com.

Gallery Glendale at Westgate, located between Crave Waffle Sandwich Creations and Mama Gina's Pizzeria, is made possible through a partnership between the city of Glendale and Westgate Entertainment District. Admission to Gallery Glendale is free and open to the public. For more information, call 623-930-3557, email Mvahabzadeh@glendaleaz.com or visit www.glendaleaz.com/galleryglendale. For information about Westgate Entertainment District, visit www.westgateaz.com.

Everything's Coming Up Roses In Glendale On January 2

The city of Glendale's historic rose garden will be on display at Sahuaro Ranch as the Rose Society of Glendale holds its Annual Rose Pruning event on **Saturday**, **Jan. 2**, **between 8 a.m. and noon**. This free event will feature experts from the Rose Society providing rose pruning demonstrations as well as seminars on planting, fertilizers and general rose care. Volunteers who call themselves "Deadheaders" will prune more than 300 bushes throughout the day. This important team of volunteers earned its name because they weed, prune or "deadhead" the rose bushes (among gardening afficionados, to "deadhead" means to remove the spent rose blooms).

Saturday also marks your chance to join in and help keep this award winning garden blooming! The "Deadheaders" group is always seeking volunteers to help maintain the beautiful garden for the benefit of the community. Volunteers can help with any part of the Ranch's rose garden and can choose the best time in their schedules to visit the garden, participate in its care, meet new people and learn from certified rosarians.

This volunteer group is also part of the Rose Society of Glendale. For more information on volunteering, contact Laura Hirsch at 602-920-1697 or laurahirsch27@gmail.com. For additional information on the event, contact the Sabuaro Banch staff at 623-030-4201

Ocotillo District Mobile Office Hours

Councilmember Aldama will be having his next Mobile Office Hours on **Monday, January 4th from 5:00 to 6:30pm** at the Glendale Woman's Club which is located at 7032 N. 56th Avenue. We encourage you to stop by and meet with Councilmember Aldama. No appointment necessary.

Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party On College Football Championship Weekend January 9

The lights are going out in downtown Glendale, but not before one big blowout! Glendale Glitters holiday light display concludes with a rockin' block party, Glendale Glitter and Glow, on **Jan. 9, from 4-10 p.m.** with balloons, music and much more.

Take in the stunning 1.5 million lights along with more than 20 hot air balloons glowing brightly amidst the trees throughout 16 blocks of Historic Downtown Glendale. A highlight for visitors will be specially-shaped balloons, as well as mass glows, in which the balloon pilots will fire the balloons all at once to create an illuminating spectacle. The dazzling scene of vibrant glowing colors and twinkling lights, combined with musical performances and delicious food and beverages, will be a feast for the senses!

This year, the Glitter & Glow Block Party falls on the weekend prior to the College Football Playoff game taking place in Glendale at the University of Phoenix Stadium on **Jan. 11, 2016**. To welcome football fans, the area will be decorated with the two teams' colors and a variety of football and sportsthemed games and inflatables will be offered.

One exciting highlight of the festival this year will be a tour stop from Les Paul's Big Sound Experience. In honor of what would be Les Paul's 100th birthday in 2015, the Les Paul Foundation is sharing his creativity, innovative spirit and love of sound in an intriguing mobile exhibit. Visitors will be able to immerse themselves in the recording wizardry of the father of modern music, listen to his music, record their own sounds and share with friends, take a photo with Les, see how the solid body electric guitar got its start and more. Admission to the exhibit is free, and will be offered during the hours of the event, 4-10 p.m.

Music lovers will of course love the offering of performances from a dozen local and regional performers, including classic rock, blues, country and bluegrass, indie rock, pop, funk and disco, 50s rock and roll, Latin rock as well as a DJ spinning kids' tunes. To top it off, a tribute band will be brought in for a special performance on the festival's featured stage.

Finally, visitors with young children or just the young at heart, may want to check out the carnival rides, inflatables or the petting zoo and pony rides. In addition, the animated movie "Up" will be showing at 6 and 8 p.m. in the Murphy Park amphitheater.

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Admission is free and free parking shuttles are available from Glendale Community College, at 59th and Olive avenues. Shuttles pick up from the northeast parking lots of the college, accessing from 59th Avenue and Vogel, and the last shuttle will leave downtown Glendale at 10:15. Event attendees will also have the option of paying for preferred parking in the two downtown garages, both of which are accessible from 59th Avenue and Glenn Drive.

Glendale Glitter & Glow is produced by Glendale's Office of Special Events, and sponsored by Blue Cross, Blue Shield of Arizona*, SRP, Valley Buick-GMC Dealers, the Arizona Republic, Monster Energy Drinks, Cerreta's, ABC-15, KOOL, KMLE, Live 101.5, Diamond Resorts, Glendale Community College, Camelback Ranch-Glendale and Sedona Pines.

For more information, call the Special Events Hotline at 623-930-2299 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/events.

Glendale University Offers Behind-The-Scenes Look At City Government

Glendale University 101, an 11-session program sponsored by Cox Communications, is accepting applications now through Friday, January 22, 2016. Classes which begin on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, offer a close-up, behind-the-scenes look at the inner workings of city government.

Glendale residents and businesses owners in the city can sign up for Glendale University (GU) to learn more about city government directly from the Mayor, Council Members, City Manager, and top city staff. The program's continued popularity is credited to the one-on-one interactions among attendees and the core curriculum that focuses on everything from the city courts to utilities.

"Glendale University is a unique opportunity to meet the city's decision makers and talk about everyone's role in our local democracy," said organizer Kathy Curley of Glendale's Community Services Department. In the 19 years since the program was started, more than 950 people have attended.

GU 101 classes are held from **6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays**, beginning **February 3, 2016** and running through April 13, 2016. The series kicks off with an opportunity to get to know your Mayor and Council Members. Subsequent sessions cover a variety of city services, including public safety, city courts, public works, community services, finance and budget, marketing, and much more.

The classes, which are free, are limited in size to encourage interaction between attendees and the elected officials and city staff who teach each unit.

To find out who your Community Action Team with the Glendale Police Department is click here:

https://www.glendaleaz.com/police/documents/CATTEAM MAP 032315.pdf

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